

Docket No.: JLD-1096-US

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Kermit L. Palmer

Serial No.: 09/665,143

Filed: September 19, 2000

PREGROUTED BASEPLATE FOR For:

SUPPORTING ROTATING

MACHINERY

Group Art Unit 3635

Examiner: Robert Canfield

AMENDMENT UNDER 35 U.S.C. §132 and 37 C.F.R. §1.111

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Box Non Fee Amendment Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please amend the above entitled application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

machinery, comprising sequentially the steps of:

- 1. (Amended) A method for preparing and installing a baseplate for supporting rotating
- (a) preparing and pouring a grouting material into a cavity in a baseplate;
- (b) curing said grouting material to achieve desired physical properties for said grouting material:
- (c) checking the mounting surfaces adapted for supporting a piece of rotating machinery on said baseplate for specified tolerances;
 - (d) placing said baseplate in a fixture to allow machining of said mounting surfaces;
- (e) machining said mounting surfaces adapted for supporting a piece of rotating machinery on said baseplate to a specified tolerance; and,
 - (f) installing a piece of rotating machinery on said machined mounting surfaces.